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To: All Washington Office and Field Officials

From: Director, National Science and Technology Center

Subject: New Organization

Effective October 1, 2000, the National Applied Resource Sciences Center has been renamed the National Science and Technology Center (NSTC) and taken on an expanded mission. The expanded mission includes a focus on science investigations and technology applications. These changes resulted from various evaluations completed during the past 2 years which concluded that the Bureau would benefit by having the NSTC focus, in part, on bringing current science and technology to the managers and specialists of the Bureau. NSTC will also continue to staff scarce skills and senior technical specialists needed by the Bureau to meet mission requirements. To assist in the execution of this expanded mission, the Director has approved the establishment of a Science and Technology Project Review Board that will assist the NSTC Director in setting priorities in the areas of science investigations and technology applications.

The new organization is comprised of three divisions and one staff. They are the Division of Architecture and Engineering (ST-110), the Division of Geographic Sciences (ST-120), the Division of Science (ST-130), and the Information and Communication Staff (ST-150). The Director's office code is ST-100. A full description of the organization, including subordinate branches and staff assigned to each component, is available at the NSTC home page (still listed as NARSC) and can be found at <http://www.blm.gov/narsc>.

The staff and management of NSTC are committed to providing the Bureau with the products and services that have been provided in the past along with the best science and technology that is available to meet the challenges of public land management. If you have any questions about NSTC, please contact Lee Barkow at 303-236-6454 or by e-mail at lee_barkow@blm.gov.

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